





## BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

The news on everybody's mind and lips this week is the terrorist bombings in New York and Washington D.C. At this writing there is no idea how many hundreds (or thousands) have been hurt or killed in these four airliner brawlings and attacks on major buildings. We have heard enough sketchy news to realize that the magnitude of today's happenings have suddenly made the Oklahoma City bombing tragedy look like only a footnote in history, and that was a horrible event that forever changed the lives of thousands of Americans. Our mind can't begin to imagine the permanent impact Tuesday's events will have on American (and the world's) society.

It's very scary to think that we are sitting here in an air conditioned office, in a soft chair writing about horrors while untold thousands are living that horror as we type. It is bad on the thousands of people in New York who have to walk miles and miles home because all motor vehicle traffic has been forbidden. Even worse is those who will spend the night in the hospital because of injuries. The pecking order continues to worsen when thinking of those still trapped in the burning and collapsed buildings and the most unfortunate ones who lost their lives to the attackers, either in the hijacked planes or in the targeted buildings.

America can't very well sit back and take this type activity without some sort of retaliation, but against whom? The popular belief Tuesday, in Elba and nationwide, is Osama bin Laden, but it is not known if his terrorist group, another Middle East terrorist group, a group of wild American teenagers or a bunch of mad soccer moms are responsible.

Some news on a better note is that the Elba City Council voted Monday night to borrow the necessary money to get the levee rehab project moving again. Mayor James Grimes got a letter from the Alabama Finance Director last week promising to repay the added expense of borrowing the money, once the authorized state bond issue is sold within the next couple of months. The city can now move forward with purchasing the necessary property needed for the widened levee.

Apparently there will be a job opening at the Elba Police Department with the announced intentions of Ronnie Whitworth to resign from the office as chief. However, when the letter was first read to the city council they declined to accept it, tabling the matter until an unannounced later date. As one observer said, "You don't want to take a job with those folks, they won't even let you quit!" We expect the council to ultimately formally accept the resignation, if for no other reason than it is just the thing to do.

### More Coffee County rural water customers are needed for current project to proceed

The Coffee County Water Authority reminds residents that 300 additional customer sign-ups are needed for the county water project underway.

Ronnie Wyatt of USDA Rural Development said 920 total sign-ups are needed to qualify for the \$6.2 million water project, and that if the needed amount of sign-ups is not reached, there will have to be a cutback on the project, or water rates will have to be raised. The system at present has about 620 sign-ups in areas feasible for service in southern Coffee County.

Wyatt further stated, "The residents of Coffee County will be receiving \$2.7 million of grant funds from the federal government, and I'd hate to see residents miss out on this money due to a lack of sign-ups."

Sign-up meetings have been held all over the southern half of Coffee County in the past year to acquire the needed number of sign-ups, and according to Dr. James Paulk, CCWA chairman, those people who signed up at

the meetings agreed to the rate schedule presented them, and the raising of rates is not an option at this time. He said the average water bill for Coffee County customers is reasonable.

Commission chairperson Linda Westbrook expressed confidence that the 300 needed residents to sign up for this phase of the county water system will come forward.

Engineer David Hicks said that without more sign-ups, many residents of the county will not receive benefits from the water project. Hicks said, "It is very important that the local volunteer fire departments become active in supporting this project, which will help county residents with fire protection."

The current sign-up fee is \$25.

For information on how to sign up for water, contact CCWA chairman Dr. Jim Paulk at 894-6366, or for general information about the project contact engineers David Hicks or Matt Mobley at 334/585-5841.

### ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT

Elba General Hospital had the following patients admitted during the time period of September 3, 2001, through September 9, 2001. They were: Foy Belcher, Bertha Coleman, Donald Harrison, Nicholas Lane, Trudie Jackson, Lela Tyson, Kathleen Williams, Sue Moore, Tiffany Burks, Claudine Barnes, Carolyn Canley, Martha Davis, Fannie Mack, Anna Smith, Shelia Bryant, Carol Harbuck, Larry Harmon, Hudson Ennis, Lorene

Killingsworth, Diane Duncan, Tremayne Warren, Terrence Green, Tracy Odom, Fannie Berry and Jimmy Johnson. Persons discharged during the same time period were: Betty Wilson, Foy Belcher, Karin Snellgrove, Tiffany Burks, Bertha Coleman, Trudie Jackson, Joseph Gaither, Donald Harrison, Martha Davis, Todd Harmon, Nicholas Lane, Carolyn Canley, Shelia Bryant, Nancy Turner, Claudine Barnes and Lela Tyson.

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## EDITORIAL

### School Safety...A Top Priority in Alabama

Guest Editorial by Bill Pryor

The 2001-2002 school year has begun and as Alabama's attorney general and the father of two young daughters, I am concerned that our children are able to learn in the safest environment possible. Fortunately, Alabama has, in recent years, taken some steps to help schools and law enforcement prepare for the potential for school-related incidents involving violence and administer the kind of tough love that hopefully will save many of our youth from a life of crime. I will highlight for you a few positive advancements for parents, educators, and students that promote school safety in the State of Alabama, and I will explain how you can take advantage of these advancements.

The Alabama Safe School Initiative, which my office drafted with other state agencies, is a comprehensive plan that provides training and resources to Alabama schools promoting safety and emergency response. We distributed thousands of emergency notebooks to every public and private

school in Alabama. We implemented a toll-free hotline, 1-888-SAV-KIDS, as a way for students and adults to anonymously alert officials about information and tips regarding potential emergency crisis situations. You can visit our website at [www.ago.state.al.us](http://www.ago.state.al.us) and link to the Alabama Safe Schools Initiative for more information.

The Juvenile Information Act, which my office drafted and the Legislature passed in 1999, provides the rules for sharing juvenile criminal records between the court, law enforcement, and schools. In the 2001 legislative session, my office drafted and passed legislation that would have amended this act to provide a uniform method of sharing juvenile criminal records with school administrators of Alabama schools. This bill will continue to be a top priority for my office in the 2002 regular session. You can do your part to protect our children by contacting your senator and representative and ask them to support this

legislation to make our schools safer. My office, along with the Alabama Center for Law and Civic Education, recently produced and distributed over 60,000 copies of Play By the Rules, a manual of Alabama's laws for the youth that teaches them the laws they need to know in order to live a safe, productive life. Text of this manual is available at [www.aclce.org](http://www.aclce.org).

Finally, my office has developed a practical guide for

schools, which explains the laws that school administrators rely on to promote safer schools, that will be disseminated this month to educators statewide.

The well-being and safety of our children cannot be left to chance. Working together, we can positively impact our children's lives, and create a safe, effective learning environment in our schools. Our children deserve no less.

Bill Pryor is Attorney General for Alabama.

## Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, September 3, 2001, investigated the following incidents: one possession of drug paraphernalia, one lost phone, four harassments, one trespassing, one unauthorized use of vehicle, one suicide, one theft of property, one open house party, one drug overdose and one receiving stolen property.

The following arrests were made: two for harassment, one criminal trespass and one possession of drug paraphernalia. Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: one for no proof of insurance, one for revoked driver's license, two for an expired tag, one for failure to yield right-of-way, one for speeding, sixteen for violation of the seat belt law, two for driver's license not in possession, one for no driver's license and one for no insurance.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows:  
**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3** - River stage - 6.98 feet (6:05 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 861 Washington Ave. (9:09 a.m.); Alarm at 765 N. Claxton Ave. (12:29 p.m.); Possible burglary of 18-wheeler vans parked at Old Dollar General on Hwy. 87 (8:03 p.m.); Possible domestic dispute reported at 14268 Hwy. 87 South (8:45 p.m.).

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5** - River stage - 7.03 feet (6:11 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 810 County Rd. 467 (6:15 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a 2-vehicle wreck on Coffee County Rd. 239 (7:02 a.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to the 2-

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6** - River stage - 6.90 feet (6:02 a.m.); Alarm activated at 1123 Forest Lake Dr. (7:37 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on Guyton St. (6:42 p.m.); Routine activity.

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7** - Alarm activated at The Jewel Box (1:59 a.m.); River stage - 6.93 feet (6:14 a.m.); Alarm activated at Elba Housing Authority (7:11 a.m.); Routine activity.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8** - Loud and excessive music and noise reported at Mulberry Trailer Park (12:45 a.m.); River stage - 6.60 feet (6:43 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 742 West Ave. (4:08 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1232 Ann St. (4:39 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 4488 County Rd. 228 (7:41 p.m.); Routine activity.

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9** - Loud and excessive music reported on Claxton Ave. (12:58 a.m.); Disturbance reported at 509 Smith Ave. (1:27 a.m.); River stage - 6.21 feet (6:11 a.m.); Alarm activated at 503 Adkinson (3:59 p.m.); Alarm activated at 503 Adkinson (4:14 p.m.); Routine activity.

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 31** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 32** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 33** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 34** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 35** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 36** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 37** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

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**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 39** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 40** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 41** - Disturbance in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court Lot 29 (12:44 a.m.); Robbery reported at trailer behind 1727 Hwy. 166 (1:24 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 973 Harper Apts. (2:12 a.m.); River stage - 6.97 feet (6:12 a.m.); Routine activity.

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# LIFESTYLES

## Bimbo-Davis share vows in private wedding ceremony



Mr. &amp; Mrs. Christopher Brett Bimbo

The garden of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Smith of Elba was the setting for a simple but elegant private ceremony uniting Miss Chara Nichelle Davis and Mr. Christopher Brett Bimbo on Saturday, the fourth of August at 7 p.m. in the evening. The Reverend Travis Johnson, Pastor, Bramley Baptist Church officiated at the double-ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. John C. Davis, Jr. of Dothan and Karen Blisecker Davis of Texarkana, Texas. The groom's parents are Mr. Billy Bimbo and the late Mrs. Judy Vaughan Bimbo.

The white picket fence spacing the length of the garden setting was draped in white tulle held by white tulle bows. The flower beds along the fence were vibrant with blooming flowers, callalilies and border grasses created the perfect backdrop for the white latticed arbor where the couple spoke their vows. The vine-covered arbor was draped with white tulle entwined with white twinkling lights and held in place by swags and bouquets of white roses and ivy. Hurricane globes holding burning tapers tied with white satin and tulle bows formed the walkway to the arbor. The arbor and the entrance was flanked with white Grecian columns holding high Boston ferns. Lanterns, placed in the flower beds and casting a soft glow among the trees, completed the outdoor wedding decorations.

A program of traditional nuptial music was provided by Mr. Doug Wambles at an electronic organ. To begin the procession

the organ sounded seven chimes signifying the hour.

Escorted by her father, the bride, on the walk down the aisle, paused at her mother's seat and the mother accompanied the bride and her father to the altar.

The bride was radiant for her wedding in a formal gown of white chiffon. The gown featured an empire bodice with spaghetti straps. The bodice was completely embroidered with pearls and crystal iridescence. The A-line skirt softly gathered at the back, extended into a lily-shaped train. The bride carried a bouquet of white Calla lilies. The look of elegance and beauty was enhanced by the matching necklace and earrings made of crystal iridescence, her "something borrowed" from her Aunt Jo.

The groom and the bride's father were attired in tuxedos designed by Ralph Lauren. Little Miss Morgan Matthews, cousin of the bride, was the flower girl and the bride's only attendant. She was attired in a long white cotton dress, flowing from a scalloped yoke and featured alternate tiers of heavy white cotton lace. She carried a white wicker basket filled with flower petals which she dropped on her walk and wore a headpiece of white flowers entwined with pearls and ribbons. She was barefoot.

Miss Beverlee Bimbo, sister of the groom, presided at the registry table. The table was draped with a white Battenburg cloth and held the bride's book, a planned pen, an arrangement of Calla lilies, and a tri-fold framed picture displaying a picture of the bride and groom.

On her way upstairs to change, the bride paused on the first step and the groom removed the garter and threw it to the crowd. Rex Oggs caught her bouquet. Anna Head caught the bouquet but relinquished it to Morgan Matthews, the flower girl. (That's another story!)

The couple are making their home in Opp.

Mrs. Charlotte Windham, with daughters, Jill Dunn and

Jama Hutchinson, hosted a bridal party for Miss Davis at her home. The group made the "bird's nest" bags for the wedding reception. Cakes, in bottles tied with raffia, cheese straws, and pet fours were served to the honoree. Beverlee Bimbo, Pam Smith, Deanne Smith, Martha Davis, Jill and Peyton Dunn, and Jama Hutchinson.

Mrs. Jan Smith and daughters, Deanne and Allison, and Mrs. Linda Blair hosted a bridal luncheon for Mrs. Chara Davis at the Smith's lovely new home. The guests were served appetizers and grape juice. Miss Davis was presented a corsage of Cymbidium Orchids. At the noon hour, the guests were shown into the formal dining room and breakfast room where they were served a plate of delicious salads assorted with fresh fruit and crackers, beverages, and dessert.

The hostesses presented Miss Davis with a crystal picture frame to commemorate the occasion. Those in attendance at this delightful occasion were the honoree, Karen Davis, Pam, April, and Kristen Green, Beverlee Bimbo, Margaret Bimbo, Mary Vaughan, Martha Davis, Pam Smith, and Dina and Morgan Matthews.

"Lunch with the Doctor" to be held Tuesday, September 18

Southeast Alabama Medical Center is sponsoring "Lunch with the Doctor" on Tuesday, September 18 at 11:00 a.m. at the Executive Inn (812 Florida Hwy. 331) South in Opp, Ala. The speaker will be J. Bret Simpson, M.D., orthopedic surgeon from the Southern Bone and Joint Specialist, P.C. in Dothan, Ala. The topic will be, "Do You Have Arthritis?"

Reservations are required call the Medical Call Center at (334)712-3336 OR 1-800-735-4998 and press 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Green of Jack announce the engagement of their daughter, Samella Green to Clay Williamson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Williamson of Mobile.

Miss Green is the granddaughter of the late Aubrey and Grace Shiver of Jack and the late Tom and Eula Green of Troy.

She is a graduate of Zion Chapel High School. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in cardiorespiratory therapy from the University of South Alabama, where she was a member of Alpha Theta Chi honor society, and Gamma

Sigma Alpha honor society. She is employed at a hospital in Mobile.

The ceremony will take place November 10 at 2:30 in the afternoon at Victoria Baptist Church. All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

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# LIFESTYLES

## Grimes Family Reunion to be held October 6

Grimes Family Reunion will be held at New Ebenezer Baptist Church (Curtis) Saturday, October 6, 2001 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. Host family will be the grandchildren & great grandchildren of Eugene and Lena Grimes.

Those attending are ask to bring covered dishes, drink and lawn chairs. Plates, cups, eating utensils and ice furnished by host family.

Contact persons: Myrna J. Cotton 897-5253, Roy D. Grimes 897-8551, Norman Johns 347-6521. A Cousin's get together will be held at Moore's Country Buffet, Opp, Ala. at 6:30 P.M. on Friday Oct. 5.

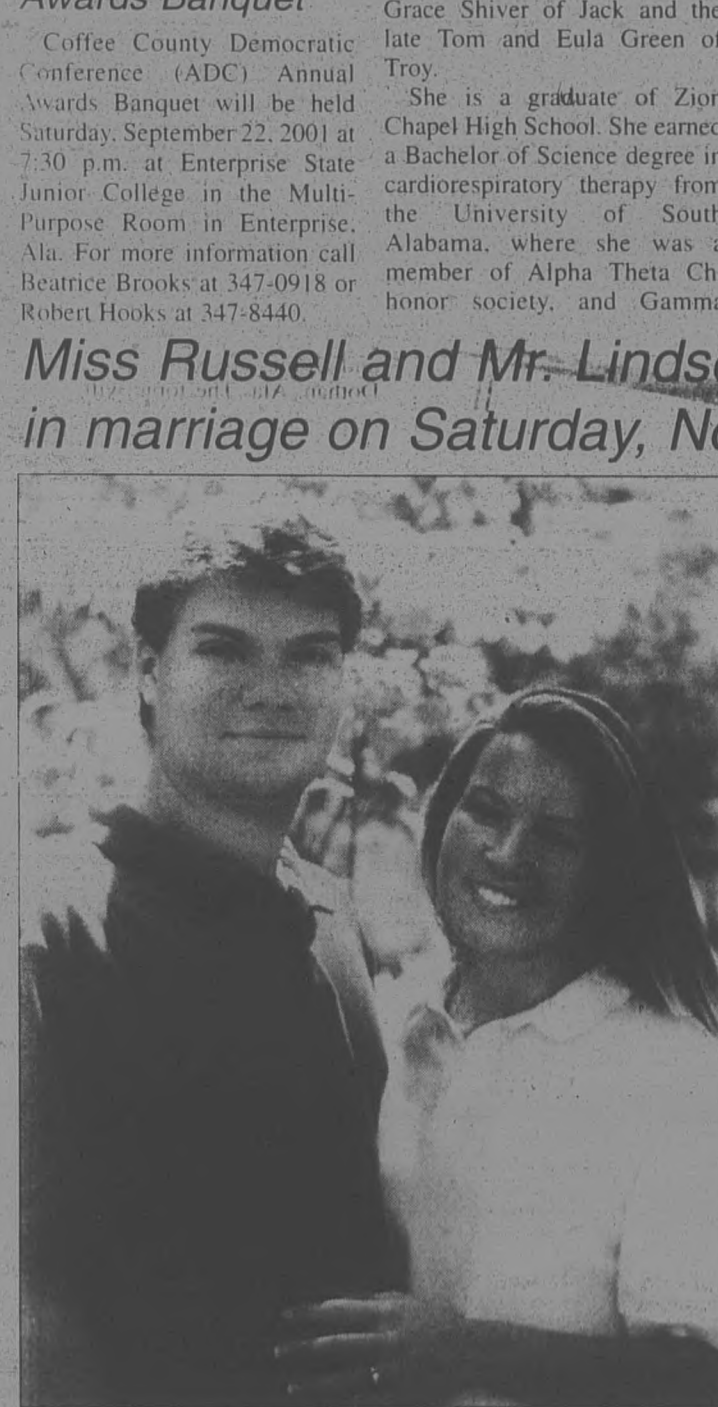
Cancer Support Group to meet Thursday, September 13th

The Breast Cancer Support Group is having a meeting Thursday, September 13, 2001 at 6:00 p.m. at Southeast Alabama Medical Center First Floor Conference Room. They will be making pink ribbons for Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Bring a glue gun or extension cord, pink ribbon will be provided. Light refreshments will be served. For more information or to make a reservation call: (334)712-3336 or 1-800-735-4998 (Press #2 or #3).

C.C. Democratic Conference to hold Awards Banquet

Coffee County Democratic Conference (ADC) Annual Awards Banquet will be held Saturday, September 22, 2001 at 7:30 p.m. at Enterprise State Junior College in the Multi-Purpose Room in Enterprise, Ala. For more information call Beatrice Brooks at 347-0918 or Robert Hooks at 347-8440.

Miss Russell and Mr. Lindsey to be united in marriage on Saturday, November 3



Mr. Lindsey &amp; Miss Russell

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Russell of Opp announce the engagement of their daughter, Heather Lynn Russell to Jason Scott Lindsey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Lindsey of Dothan.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Russell of Opp, Lillian McCart of Elba and the late Dock McCart of Elba.

She is a 1997 graduate of Opp High School and received her Drafting degree from MacArthur State Technical College in August 2001. She is currently employed in Midland City, Ala.

The future bride-groom is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Spicer of Elba and the late Mr. and Mrs. Mack Lindsey of Enterprise.

He is a 1997 graduate of Northview High School and received his Electronic degree from MacArthur State Technical College in August of 2000. He is currently employed in Columbia, Ala.

The wedding will take place on November 3 at 3 p.m. at Southside Baptist Church in Opp.

No local invitations are being sent. All family and friends are invited to attend.

Chamber Of Commerce Banquet set for September 27

Tickets are now on sale for the annual Elba Chamber of Commerce membership banquet. Plans are underway for a fun filled night including entertainment by "Little Jimmy Reed", an awards ceremony, great door prizes and a drawing for \$2,500.00. The event will be held at the Elba High School commons area on Thursday, September 27th at 6:30 p.m.

No tickets will be sold the night of the banquet. The cost of the ticket is \$15.00 and may be purchased at the Chamber office or from any Chamber Board member. Remember, tickets must be purchased in advance. Dress in casual.

## Brannon-Stokes engagement and wedding plans announced

Mr. & Mrs. David Alan Brannon of Spartanburg, South Carolina, announce the engagement of their daughter, Kelly Jean to Jackson David Stokes of Asheville, North Carolina. Jake is the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Lamar Stokes, and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Jackson William Stokes, Mrs. Frances Boatwall Prior, and the late Mr. William Stanley Prior, all of Elba.

Both Kelly and Jake are graduates of Auburn University in Agricultural Engineering. Jake is a 1993 graduate of Elba High School.

The wedding will be February 23, 2002, at St. James United Methodist Church in Spartanburg, South Carolina.

Magnolia Garden Club meets September 6th

The Magnolia Home and Garden Club began its new season "at the beach" on September 6, 2001. Allene Lee, hostess, used beach decor as the theme in welcoming members back from the summer's break. One guest, Susie Divine from Montana, the daughter of Thelma Hudson, was introduced and welcomed.

Gene Kennett, program chairman, distributed the new program books to members. She also announced that a book has been placed in the library as a memorial to Syble Hahn's mother, Beekie King.

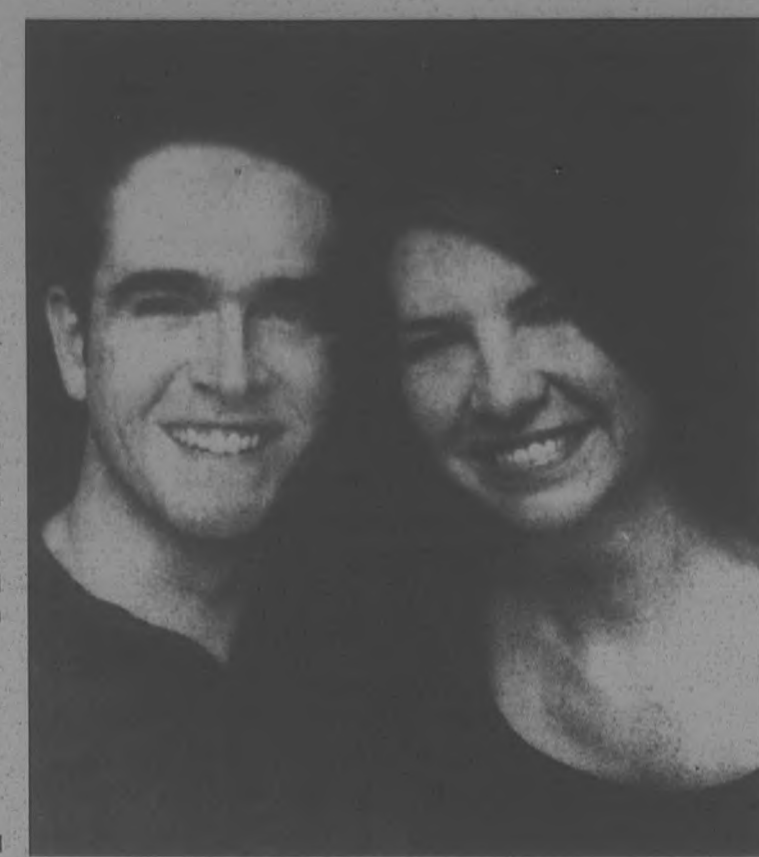
This meeting was the club's organizational meeting with the appointment of committees, scheduling of programs, and discussion of the club's constitution and by-laws.

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Jake Stokes &amp; Kelly Brannon

## Coffee County Retired Teachers and Support Personnel to meet

The Coffee County Association of Retired Teachers and Support Personnel will hold its first meeting of the 2001-2002 year on Tuesday, September 25 at the College Avenue Church of Christ in Enterprise at 5:30 p.m. All Coffee County retired teachers and school support personnel are invited to attend this Fall Fellowship honoring the 2001 retirees.

Deadline for social news is Monday!

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# SPORTS

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## THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

What is it about girls and hair that we Dads don't understand? Back when Melissa was little we would keep her hair cut short and I thought she was the cutest thing around, but as soon as her opinion started counting, her hair got longer and even changed colors a couple of times. Now that Melanie is twelve her opinion suddenly counts more than mine, and no matter what I do, or threaten to do, her hair gets longer and longer. Over the weekend, I put my foot down and demanded at least a trim. However, I won't hold my breath and will probably get a haircut before she finds her way to the beauty shop. C'mon Melanie.... please!

### ELBA TIGERS GET BIG ROAD WIN OVER SAMSON

The Elba Tigers evened their record at 1-1 and put a ghost of years past to rest Friday night when they defeated the Samson Tigers 35-21, in Samson. The Tigers had dropped their opener to Straughn 14-0 to suffer their sixth straight season opening loss, but Friday night put an end to yet another streak when they won for the first time in the month of September since the 1995 season. The season is still young. However, if the Tigers can play with the same intensity and desire they did Friday night, they will put many more such streaks to rest, and start some new streaks that are much more fun to remember.

The Elba offense made a return to its smash mouth style of play Friday night and rolled up over 200 yards on the ground in the win over Samson. The Tigers had used their stable or backs in the pre-season win and simply rolled over and around their opposition, and after a one week absence, the backs were back running up and down the field against a very good opponent. The Tigers have some quality backs in Todd Horstead, Quinton Moultry, Dougie Pierson and Mandrell Carpenter, and when they are able to keep a fresh back in the game, it keeps the pressure on the defense. That was the case Friday night, and it proved fatal to Samson.

The Tiger defense knew going in it had to put the brakes on Samson's Timmy Bess, and while the talented Samson senior did gain some yardage, the Tigers pounded Bess on almost every tackle and made him pay for every single yard he gained. The defense allowed only one touchdown in the win, and in two games has allowed only two scoring drives of greater than 20 yards. The Elba defense is aggressive and meets at the football, and believe me, their opponents feel their wrath during and after the games.

I hate to sound like a broken record, but Elba fans still must remember that a team is never as bad as one thinks after a loss, and is never as good as one thinks after a win. Each Mike Waters will be the first to tell you that this year's team does have the potential to do some big things, but will almost certainly struggle at times as the season rolls along. The Tigers have played as hard as they could in the opening two weeks, and will continue to play that way no matter the opposition. The Tiger fans just have to remember that the players and coaches need their support when things are going bad, just as much as when things are going good, and have to believe that the players are feeding off the emotion of the fans. Keep it up Tiger fans, you are a big part of the Tigers success!

### KINSTON IS ONLY AREA TEAM TO SURVIVE WEEK #2

The second week of the high school season wasn't exactly one to write home about for three of the four teams in the area, as only the Kinston Bulldogs were able to escape the week with a win. Here's a look back at week 2 action....

\*\*\* KINSTON got its running game on track in the Bulldogs' surprising 35-14 win over 2A power Geneva County. The Bulldogs were convinced before the season started that they had the backs to score points, and if the "Dogs can run the rest of the season like they did Friday night they just might be headed for a big season. The key for the Bulldogs will be to take it one game at a time.

\*\*\* ZION CHAPEL never had a chance Friday night in its lopsided 40-0 loss to Houston County. The Rebels trailed 28-0 after Houston County had snapped the ball only four times, and last week there was simply nothing the Rebels could do against a far superior team. The Rebels do have a couple of games on their schedule they have a chance to win, and the key for the Rebs will be to keep believing that they can win when they get the opportunity.

NEW BROCKTON had some success running the ball against G.W. Long, but couldn't stop the big play and didn't take advantage of its own scoring opportunities in a 27-6 setback to the Rebels. New Brockton has a true blue collar bunch that works hard for everything it gets, and when hard work and determination can get the job done the Gamecocks will win. Believe me, this bunch will win some games that will surprise a lot of folks.

\*\*\* BRANTLEY failed to score on offense for the second straight week and was blanked by Highland Home 19-0. The Bulldogs fought the Flying Squadron tooth and nail for two quarters, but simply didn't have enough gas to make it throughout the game. Brantley will get better on offense as the season progresses. However, the Bulldogs may not have the weapons to make their fans forget the high scoring teams of the past.

### QUICK KICKS....

\*\*\* Pleasant Home pulled off the biggest surprise of the young season Friday night by upsetting Red Level 15-8. The Eagles took their lumps last season after a couple of banner junior high seasons, but now that they have varsity experience, this band of Eagles appears ready to win their share of games.

\*\*\* Goshen saw its record slip to 0-2 on the season with a 28-15 loss to Luverne, and it looks like the Eagles' plans to win a state championship may already be history. The Eagles knew going in they were going to be more than a little short-handed, but even the biggest Goshen fans have to be scratching their heads after two weeks of action.

\*\*\* The people down in East Brewton had been talking loud all summer about how good W.S. Neal was going to be this season, and apparently they knew what they were talking about, especially since the Blue Eagles defeated Daleville 25-13 last week, in Daleville. W.S. Neal has taken its lumps for a couple of seasons, but it looks like the time for payback has arrived.

\*\*\* Washington County was picked as a team to beat in 3A, but the boys from down in Chatham may not be as good as advertised if last week's 32-7 loss to 2A Leroy is any indication. Washington County had a very good team last year and may still be a team head for the playoffs. However, it could also be the year that some of the teams they ran up the score on pay them back.

\*\*\* Andalusia went to 2-0 on the season last week with a 14-0 win over 5A Hillcrest, and it looks like Coach Woolley's Bulldogs may be headed for a winning season. The Bulldogs haven't exactly set the world on fire in over a decade, but this year's Bulldogs have a different look and may just be the surprise team of the young season.

\*\*\* Opp saw its slate drop to 0-2 with a 45-7 loss to Charles Henderson and it appears the Bobcats may be in store for a long season. The Bobcats' varsity team is as young as many junior high teams around, and this may be the year those young Bobcats take their beatings. Hey, their opponents need to remember that what goes around comes around.

\*\*\* Enterprise came back down to earth with a thud last week as Prattville handed the Wildcats a 33-6 whipping, in Enterprise. A lot of the Enterprise fans thought their new coach was a savior after the Wildcats opened the season with a win over Bay High, but Prattville let everyone down in the hole knowing that the "Cats are still a long way from being the big kid on the block in 6A football.

\*\*\* What's in a name? I saw on the AHSAA web page last week that the most common nickname among Alabama High Schools was Tigers, with 49, followed by Bulldogs (33), Wildcats (26) and Panthers (25). Some of the more unique names were the Silent Warriors from the Alabama School for the Deaf; Valley Cubs, from Alexandria; Admirals, from Bayville Academy; Choctaws, from Bibb County; Wolverines, from Montgomery; Carver, Warhaws, from Daingerfield; Whippers, from Frisco; City, Green Wave, from Gordo; Dolphins, from Gulf Shores; Flying Squadron, from Highland Home; Golden Gophers, from Hueytown; Cavaliers, from John Carroll; Poets, from Sidney Lanier; Spartans, from Mountain Brook; Thundering Herd, from Parker; Purple Devils, from Ragland; Gators, from Satusma; Fighting Saints, from St. Clair County; Senators, from Sparkman; Dragons, from Wenonah; and Colonels, from Woodlawn.

\*\*\* I had a feeling Troy State was in trouble in its game against Middle Tennessee, and the hunch was right, as the Trojans 54-17 whipping will attest. The Trojans were feeling pretty good about themselves after the loss to Nebraska, and may have somehow let the 28-point loss give them a false sense of how good they really were. Maybe now they know!

### POLISH PROGNOSTICATOR PLODS ALONG

Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator had a sheepish grin on his face Sunday morning when he stopped by the office to drop off this week's high school predictions. The local guesspuppet did hit on 18 of his 25 picks last week, but got fooled by Elba and Kinston, and saw his yearly totals move to 42-12. He complained that the picks are getting harder instead of easier, but left this week's batch of picks anyway. Here goes....

### ELBA VS. LUVERNE

The Elba Tigers took a giant step forward last week with a road win over Samson, and this week will get the chance to grow by leaps and bounds against their arch-rivals from Luverne. The records never mean anything when these two tangle, but since both teams are 1-1, maybe this is the year that the records do count. The difference here must be where the game is played....

LUVERNE 19 ELBA 13

### NEW BROCKTON VS. WICKSBURG

The New Brockton Gamecocks have played well in both of their games this season and despite last week's loss to G.W. Long are still a very confident team. The Panthers from over at Wicksburg have lost two games, both to 4A opponents, and should come to town confident of a win. They will leave town with a different thought.

NEW BROCKTON 20 WICKSBURG 15

### Friday night in Luverne

## Tigers brace for battle with Luverne

The Elba Tigers will continue their early-season road trip Friday night when they travel to Crenshaw County to tangle with the Luverne Tigers in the renewal of Elba's oldest and most heated football rivalry.

Elba will carry a 1-1 record into the contest after a week 2 win over Samson 35-21, while Luverne will also enter the game with a 1-1 record after a 16-14 loss to Highland Home and a 28-15 win over Goshen.

"Luverne has got a very talented football team and we will have to play our best on every single play just to have a chance at coming home with a win," said Elba's Coach Mike Waters.

"Luverne has real good size and as much quickness as any team we'll face all season. They are loaded, and it will be a tremendous challenge for our team Friday night when it takes the field up in Luverne."

"On offense," said Waters, "they like to run the one-back

### KINSTON VS. ARITON

The Kinston Bulldogs got in the win column in a big way last week and have to be chomping at the bits to get hold of the "Cats from over at Arton. While Arton may be 0-2 and rebuilding, the thought of playing Kinston doesn't exactly throw a fear into the Purple Cats, and the "Dogs had better be ready. In a real cat and dog fight....

KINSTON 27 ARITON 12

### ZION CHAPEL VS. PLEASANT HOME

The Zion Chapel Rebels have been outscored 79-0 in their opening two games and this week will head over to Pleasant Home to face the 2-0 Eagles. I know that records can be deceiving, especially in the early season, but this bunch of Eagles seems to have a mission, and the next step is a win over the Rebels.

PLEASANT HOME 20 ZION CHAPEL 8

### BRANTLEY VS. G.W. LONG

The Brantley Bulldogs have yet to score a point on offense this season and have many over in Bulldog Country wondering out loud if this will be the year the Bulldogs don't win their region. The season still has a long way to go, but the Rebels will come to town looking to spoil homecoming, and it will take their best game of the season for the Bulldogs to survive.

BRANTLEY 15 G.W. LONG 14

### OTHER PICKS:

Excel 42 Florala 0  
Goshen 29 Barbour County 0  
Clay County 21 Highland Home 7  
Cottonwood 22 Geneva County 12  
Georgiana 20 St. Jude 19  
Houston Academy 27 Slocumb 6  
Houston County 34 Samson 15  
W.S. Neal 29 Red Level 0  
Washington County 20 Straughn 14  
Alabama Christian 28 Catholic 0  
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offense and will run a lot of misdirection and counters. They have their quarterback back from last season, and he can throw the ball well, especially on short passes. Luverne's offense will challenge you on every play, and has the quickness and the talent to score from anywhere on the field. Over on defense they use a split six look that runs on almost every play. Their size up front makes it hard to run inside, while their quickness helps them react and attack the football. Luverne is solid on both sides of the football and will be one of the best teams we will play this season."

"If we are to have a chance of winning we will have to control the ball and score when we get the chance," added Waters. "If we can keep the ball out of their hands it will help our defense stay fresh and keep them from scoring points. We will have to be consistent on offense, not make any mistakes, and score

when we get close. On defense, we must tackle well on one-on-one situations. They will try to spread out the defense and then get in one-on-one situations on the corners. If we make the tackles, we will be okay, but if we miss some tackles they could put some points on the scoreboard."

"Luverne is our biggest rival and when these two teams meet it is always a hard hitting, hard fought football game," said Waters. "We got a big win last week and should be a more confident team Friday night when we take the field. However, we will have to play our best on every play to have a chance at getting the important region win."

When asked about last week's win over Samson, Coach Waters stated "Our team needed to win, and I was proud of the way our players overcame turnovers and a very good Samson team to get the win on the road. On offense

opened its season with a 15-6, 15-9 win over Samson. Ashley Walden recorded 10 service points and YoYo Reynolds had 9.

In junior high action, Elba

though we lost on the scoreboard, I was pleased with the varsity's performance on Tuesday, but Thursday's match was a different story. I was disappointed in the team's effort. However, I will not become discouraged and the players must use the loss to Samson and use it this week when we play them again."

The Lady Tigers dropped their opener to Kinston 12-15, 8-15, with Ayonna Proctor and Jessica Sowell being the leading servers with 4 service points, apiece. The loss to Samson was 4-15, 4-15, with Brittany Daniels and Devri Kilcrease combining for 7 service points.

"The junior varsity is looking sharp," added Rhoades, "and already has claimed two wins."

The JV team opened the season with a 15-8, 14-16, 15-8 win over Zion Chapel, with Ashley Gibson having 14 service points and Kristen Barnes recording 8 service points. The JV dropped a 12-15, 6-15 decision to Kinston, with Ashley Walden having 8 service points and Ashley Waddall having 6 service points. The JV got its second win with a 15-5, 15-3 win

"We will win some games this season," predicted Coach Rhoades. "We lost our first match to Kinston, but it wasn't an easy match for Kinston, and all the players showed a lot of class and improvement. We really played a great match even

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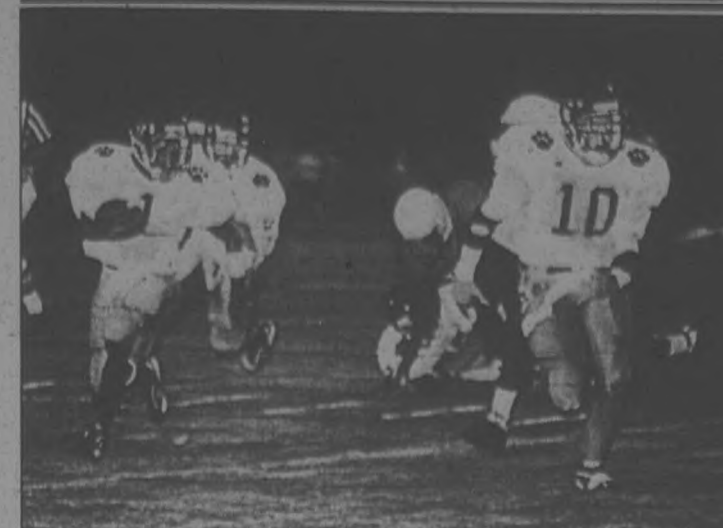
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# SPORTS

Get first win of young season

## Tigers outscore Samson 35-21

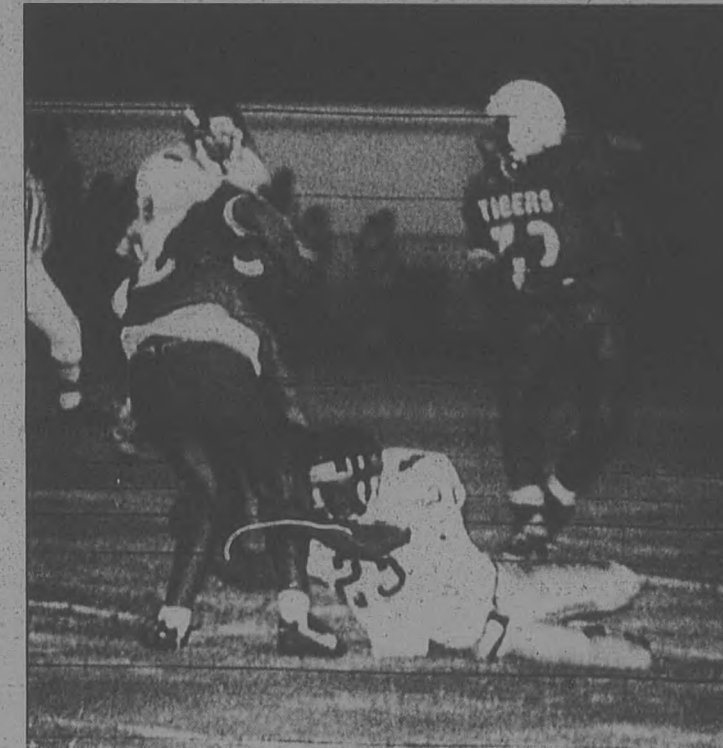
By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor



Elba Tiger running back Dougie Pierson (1) follows the block of teammate Jason Curran (10) around the corner for a big gain in last week's 35-21 win over Samson.



Elba Tiger tight-end Marcus Henderson (8) pulls in a pass behind the Samson defense and sets sail for the endzone. The third quarter touchdown pass covered 76 yards and gave the Tigers a big 21-7 lead in the Tigers' first win of the young season.



Elba defensive back Todd Horstead (25) hangs on with both hands to a Samson runner. Horstead had a big game on both offense and defense as the Tigers rolled to a 35-21 win last week in Samson. Friday night the Tigers will travel to Luverne for a key Class 3A, Region 1 clash with the Luverne Tigers.



Elba Tiger defensive back Brandon Petty (7) meets a Samson running back head on during action Friday night in the Tigers big 35-21 win. The win evened Elba's record at 1-1 on the young season heading into this week's region clash with Luverne.

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The win evened Elba's record at 1-1, while Samson slipped to 1-1 with the loss.

Elba pulled the first surprise of the night with an on-sides kick on the opening kickoff, and the early gamble paid off as the Tigers opened the game on offense at the Samson 36-yard line. An 8-yard scamper by Dougie Pierson on first down got the Tigers headed in the right direction. However, two motion penalties against Elba slowed the march, and the Tigers failed to cash in on the scoring opportunity when a fourth down pass fell incomplete.

Elba regained possession at the Samson 39-yardline after a partially blocked punt and once again headed toward the Samson endzone. A 17-yard pass from Brandon Petty to Lorenzo Green gave the Tigers a lead at the 20, but a flag for offensive pass interference cost Elba fifteen yards and a down, and the Tigers saw a second chance to score go by the board.

Elba got the ball back at the Samson 39-yardline after a short punt, and this time didn't stop until it reached the endzone! An 11-yard gain by Dougie Pierson got the scoring drive off and running, while Quinton Moultry got the call on three straight downs, and responded by gaining 15 yards as the Tigers moved to the Samson 5-yardline. Todd Horstead scored one play later on a 5-yard dash, and Marcus Henderson booted the extra-point as Elba grabbed the lead at 7-0 with 11:54 remaining in the second quarter.

Elba was successful for the second time in the game with an on-sides kick following the Tiger touchdown, but this time a Tiger gamble on fourth down failed, as a faked punt failed to gain the needed yardage and Samson put the ball in play near midfield.

Samson's Timmy Bess got the call on the first four plays of the possession and weaved his way around the Elba defense for 46 yards. Bess later scored on a 5-yard run, and J.T. Thomas tackled on the extra-point as Samson scored with a scoring drive that covered 73 yards in only four plays. A 32-yard half-back pass on third down and 14 from Dougie Pierson to Zel

at the Samson 25-yardline. A 13-yard pass from Petty to Pierson and a 9-yard scamper by Quinton Moultry left the Tigers facing a second down and one at the Samson 3, but a one-yard loss on the second down play and a penalty backed the Tigers up to the 9, and Elba came away empty-handed when on fourth down Quinton Moultry was stopped short of the chains.

The Tigers received a second half kickoff and covered 81 yards in only three plays to extend their lead to 21-7.

A short pass completion from Brandon Petty to Daryl Burks and a 2-yard gain by Dougie Pierson left Elba facing a third down and five. Samson crowded the line in an attempt to shut down the Elba running game on the key third down play. However, the Tigers crossed up the Samson defense and went the distance as Pierson lofted a pass to Marcus Henderson and the speedy Tiger tight-end raced 76 yards for a Tiger touchdown.

Henderson also kicked the extra-point as Elba upped its lead to 21-7 with 10:36 left in the third quarter.

The Elba defense rose up to turn back a Samson scoring threat at the Elba 15-yardline on the game's ensuing possession, but Samson regained possession at the Samson 37-yardline following an Elba punt, and this time marched 73 yards in the plays to cut into the Tigers' lead.

Timmy Bess gained 14 yards on 4 carries during the drive, while Terrell Davis added 34 yards on two totes, and scored the touchdown on a 25-yard run. J.T. Thomas added the extra-point, and with 11:50 remaining in the fourth quarter Elba's lead was down to 21-14.

The Tigers put the ball in play at their own 37-yardline following an unsuccessful on-sides kick attempt and answered the ensuing kickoff and after a penalty, chose to forget the on-sides kick and boot the ball deep. The change in plans worked wonders for Elba, as

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## SPORTS



New Brockton running back Ray Magwood (33) walks a tight rope down the sidelines for a big gain in last week's 27-6 loss to G.W. Long. The Gamecocks will swing into Region play this week at home against Wicksburg.

## New Brockton sees early lead vanish under Rebel rally in 27-6 setback

By Michael Jenkins & Daniel Roberts

The New Brockton Gamecocks made the trip over to Skippersville Friday night to battle the G.W. Long Rebels, and fought hard for all four quarters only to come out on the wrong end of a 27-6 outcome.

The loss left the Gamecocks with a 1-1 record, while G.W. Long upped its slate to 2-0 with the win.

New Brockton got an early break when Long fumbled its opening snap from center and the Gamecocks recovered at the Rebel 36-yardline.

The Gamecock offense was ready to roll, and did just that as New Brockton quickly marched into the endzone, with the score coming on a 4-yard run by Ray Magwood. The extra-point try failed, but with 6:22 remaining in the opening quarter New Brockton was on top 6-0.

G.W. Long failed to move the football on its ensuing possession. However, the Rebels began to march late in the opening stanza and reached the Gamecock endzone after a 44-yard scoring drive. The Rebel touchdown came on a 13-yard scamper by Eric Long, and the extra-point try was true, as G.W. Long grabbed the lead at 7-6 with 11:36 remaining in the second quarter.

The Rebels regained possession on a pass interception, and cashed in on the Gamecock turnover only moments later when Eric Long again broke loose and this time scored from 29 yards out. The extra-point was true, and G.W. Long had upped its lead to 14-6 with 8:18 remaining in the half.

The Gamecock defense came up with another fumble recovery midway through the third quarter when Jeremy Meeks pounced on a Rebel fumble at the G.W. Long 47-yardline. However, the Gamecock offense couldn't move the chains against the stiff Rebel defense, and had to punt the ball back.

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## Rebels no match for Houston County

From combined reports

The Zion Chapel Rebels hosted the powerful Houston County Lions Friday night in Green Memorial Stadium and never had a chance as the Lions scored early and often to roll to a lopsided 40-0 win.

Houston County was ready to play from the opening whistle and scored on its first four plays to grab a quick 28-0 first quarter lead. The Lions' lead stood at 34-0 at intermission, and the visitors from Columbia put it on cruise as they coasted in with the 40-0 win.

Norris Drinkard gained 133 yards on 3 carries and scored 2 touchdowns, while Kevin Buzze added 104 yards on 3 carries and scored 2 touchdowns. Drinkard also pulled in a 30-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Jonathan Rasberry, who hit on 2 of 2 passes for 60 yards and two touchdowns.



Zion Chapel's Josh Richards (30) looks for room to run against the stingy Houston County defense. The Rebels will get into Region action this week when they travel to Pleasant Home to battle the undefeated Eagles.



Brantley cheerleaders Amy Walker and Coco Mitchell keep the faith as the Bulldogs battle cross country rival Highland Home. This week Brantley will celebrate homecoming against the G.W. Long Rebels.



Brantley's Devaris Skanes (5) looks for room to roam outside in the Bulldogs' 19-0 loss to Highland Home. The Bulldogs will host Region opponent G.W. Long Friday night for Homecoming 2001.

**Bulldogs see record slip to 1-1**

## Brantley blanked by Highland Home 19-0

By Greg Brunson, Sportswriter

The Brantley Bulldogs were at home Friday night hosting the Highland Home Flying Squadron, and the Squadron was able to use its depth and speed to score three second-half touchdowns to break open a defensive struggle and pull away to claim a 19-0 victory.

The Brantley offense lost a fumble on each of its opening two possessions, with Ben McGough and Rodney Wiley making the two Highland Home recoveries. The Bulldog defense was also up to the task, however, and forced punts following both turnovers.

Brantley moved the ball from its own 8-yardline to midfield, behind the running of Devaris Skanes, but the march stalled near the midfield stripe, and the Bulldogs were forced to punt.

Neither team was able to threaten again in the first half, which ended with the scoreboard still reading 0-0.

As the second half opened, Highland Home drove 53 yards in nine plays to get on the scoreboard. The touchdown came on a 4-yard toss sweep by Marcus Toles with 7:10 left in the third quarter, and Doug Norman added the extra-point, as the Squadron took a 7-0 lead.

Brantley managed one first down on its next series as the Flying Squadron took the ball and this time raced 64 yards downfield in 8 plays to again find the endzone. John

May scored the touchdown on a 16-yard scamper around the right end, and although the extra-point try failed, Highland Home was on top 13-0 with 11:50 remaining in the game.

A short punt set Highland Home up at the Brantley 38-yardline following the next Bulldog possession, and this time it took the Squadron only five plays to get back into the endzone. Julius Dulaney carried two Bulldogs into the endzone on a 14-yard touchdown run, but the two-point try failed, and

with 7:29 left Highland Home was flying high with a 19-0 advantage.

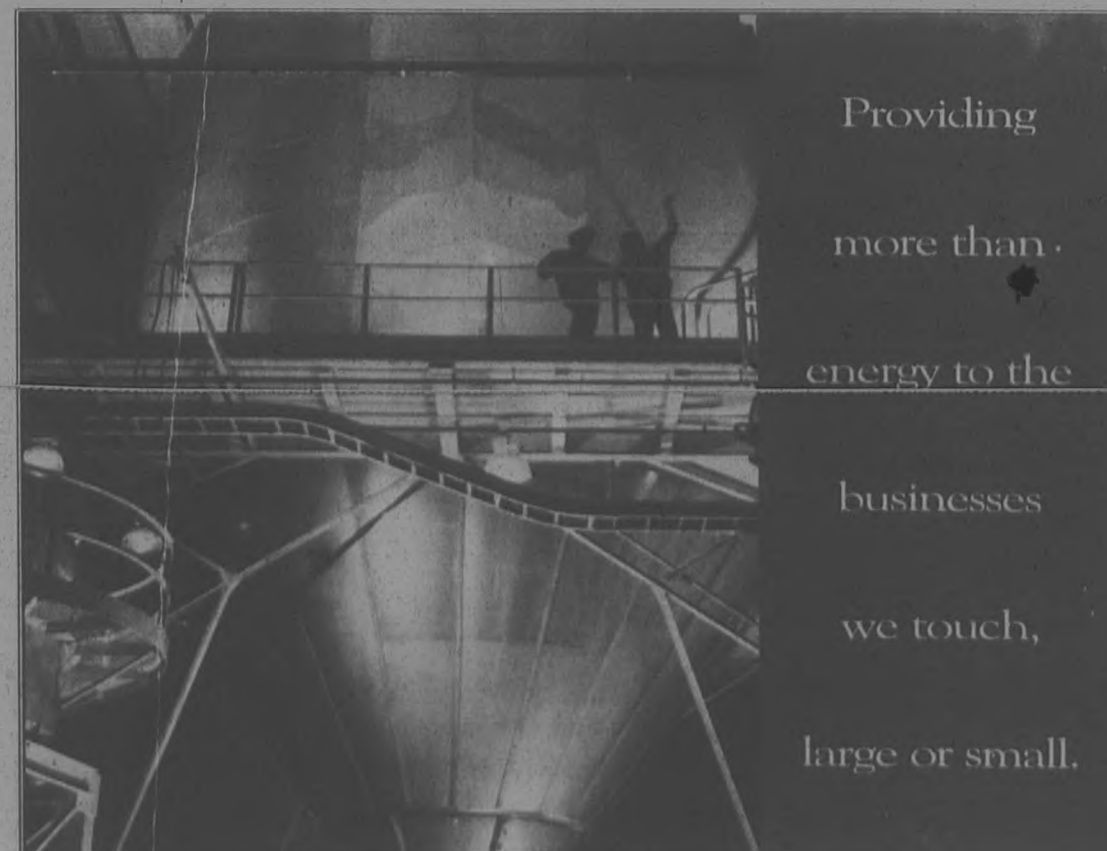
Brantley rushed for four first downs on its final possession of the night before the clock reached 00, but the lions sound-cued to end the Bulldog march, and Highland Home left the field with the 19-0 win.

Devaris Skanes led the Bulldog offense with 73 yards on 17 carries, while Marcel Stamps added 50 yards on 8 carries. Highland Home was led by John May with 61 yards on

only 4 toles.

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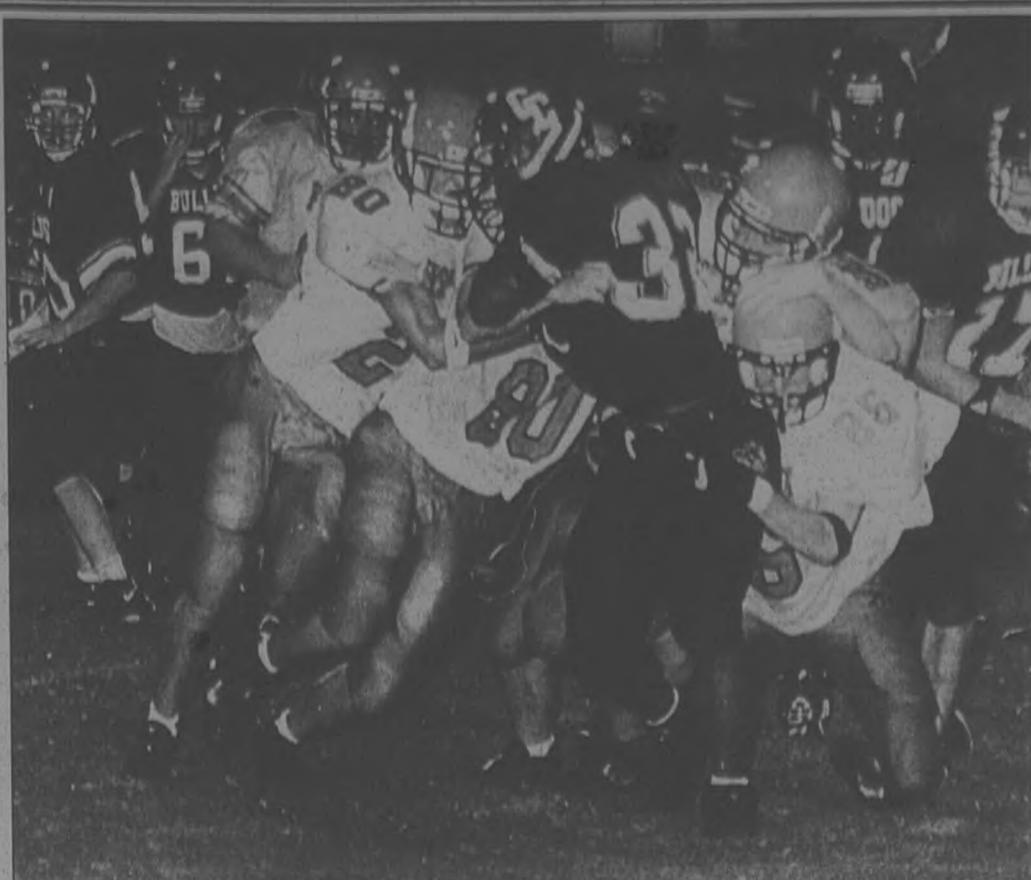
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## SPORTS



Kinston's Tim Whigham (20) celebrates after the Bulldogs recovered a Geneva County fumble in early game action. The Bulldogs surprised the 2A Geneva County Bulldogs by posting a big 35-14 last week in Hartford. This week Kinston will host Arton in a key Region clash.



Gang tackling Bulldogs combine to stop a Geneva County runner for no gain. Helping make the stop are Lee Holley (26), Tim Whigham (20) and a host of Bulldog teammates. The Bulldogs evened their record at 1-1 with a big 35-14 win over Geneva County last week.

## Kinston Bulldogs surprise Geneva County 35-14

By Tony Kelley, Sportswriter

The Kinston Bulldogs got into the win column Friday night with a big 35-14 road win over the Geneva County Bulldogs in Hartford.

Kinston got the ball back midway through the second quarter near midfield, and this time wasted little time adding to its lead as Patrick Nelson broke loose on a 63 yard scoring scamper. Sansom's extra-point try sailed wide, but with 5:45 remaining in the half Kinston had pulled out to a 13-0 lead.

Geneva County's ensuing possession lasted only four plays before Kinston recovered a fumble punted out at the Geneva County 9-yardline.

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Kinston upped its lead to 21-0 with 2:05 still remaining in the second quarter.

Geneva County was down, but not about to give up, and answered the Kinston score on third down and five from the Kinston 49-yardline when quarterback Brian Murkerson found Ken Lawson open behind the Kinston defense for a 49-yard scoring pass. The two-point try failed, and when the half ended fifty-seconds later Kinston went in with a 21-6 advantage.

Patrick Nelson broke loose again in the third quarter and raced 38 yards for a touchdown. Sansom added the extra-point, and with 5:42 remaining in the third quarter Kinston was in command with a 28-7 lead.

Geneva County was pinned back at its own 16-yardline on its next possession and appeared to be in trouble, but stayed alive

and got right back in the game when Devan Wilkerson broke loose and raced 84 yards for a score. Murkerson passed to Matthew Cassidy for the two-point conversion, and with just under five minutes left in the third quarter Geneva County had cut the Kinston lead to 28-14.

Kinston wasn't about to let the win get away, however, as a 13-yard sneak by Cody Sansom and a p.a.t. by Donnie Sansom upped Kinston's lead to 35-14, and the Bulldogs from Coffey County held on for the big win.

Patrick Nelson led Kinston with 244 yards on 17 carries, while Ryan Anderson added 100 yards on 14 carries. Geneva County was led by Wilkerson with 111 yards on 10 carries and Lawson with 100 yards on 14 carries.



Kinston Bulldog running back Patrick Nelson (5) looks for running room upfield in the Bulldogs' big win over Geneva County. The senior runner gained over 200 yards last week in the big win.

## Elba drivers continue to dominate racing action at South Alabama Speedway

By Mark Chisum

Coming off a big win in last week's Super Stock 125, Jody Henderson scored two wins on Saturday night, September 1, for an encore. Henderson scored his fifth straight Super Stock Feature win after winning the Street Stock Feature earlier in the night.

In the Super Stock Feature, Tommy Adams took the early lead from his outside pole starting spot. Henderson, starting eleventh, quickly made his way through traffic. He was up to third by lap five and moved past David Ashley for second on lap 11. Five laps later, he moved past Adams for the lead. Henderson then pulled away for the win. Ashley was able to get by Adams for second. Bill Brown was fifth with Ray Hudson sixth.

In the Street Stock Feature, Henderson had an easier time, leading all 20 laps. Jamie Bowers came from the fifth starting spot to finish second. Current point leader Blake Streetman finished third. Scott Spivey and Timbo Kendrick finished fourth and fifth.

In the IMCA Modified Feature, Jamie Ater took the win after apparent winner Timbo Kendrick was disqualified for having a locker rear end, an IMCA rules violation. Ater took

the initial lead before Kendrick took over on lap seven. Doug Rogers came from the seventh starting spot to finish second. Tom Galbreath was third at the end, followed by Tommy Lashley and Brett Hanson.

In the Roadrunner Feature, Tim Hudson took the lead from Todd Boswell on lap seven and went on to apparently his 18th win of the season. However, the Roadrunner class has a clammer rule, and when Hudson refused to sell his car, he was disqualified. Boswell was rewarded with the win. Jason Singletary was second. Ricky Osborne finished third with Robert Colvin fourth and Jim Evans fifth.

Derek Deese won his first Super Street Feature over Harold Hurt and Toby Seay.

In a special Mini Spartsman Feature, after seven lead changes in the 20 lap race, Mike Cherry took the win. Cherry battled all race with Jay Harbert and Danny Fountain before taking the lead on the last lap when Fountain spun after contact. Harbert finished second with Kelly Spivey third. Fourth and fifth went to Dark Sider and Mike Wolfe.

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in the amount of \$72,000 a year.

Major spending increases in the upcoming budget include various payrolls at \$49,000 (total for all departments and merit raises only); garbage contract at \$10,000; Sr. Citizens Center at \$5,000 and police department telephone expenses at \$3,000.

Capital improvements in the new budget include only the debt retirement, a new police vehicle and \$8,850.00 for a planned airport improvement project. This airport project is contingent on approval of a pending grant application to repair the North-South runway.

The council accepted the lowest bid of seven submitted for the storm drainage project in New Town. Russell Construction Co. of Elba was the low bidder at \$64,085. Bids ranged up to a high of \$136,425.

This work is being funded by a FEMA grant, administered by the State of Alabama.

A resolution increasing the sewer tap fees was tabled until the next meeting at the request of council members.

The council approved a resolution allowing the mayor and city clerk to borrow money, up to the local 35% match portion, to continue work with the U.S. Army Corp. of Engineers on the Elba levee upgrade. Elba must have title to the necessary property before the Corp. can let the contracts for the levee work. The 35% match will be ultimately funded by a State of Alabama bond issue which hasn't yet been sold and Mayor Grimes worked with Senator Jimmy Holley to get a letter of commitment from the state revenue director to fund the additional cost of borrowing the money locally, while awaiting the bond sale. The letter indicated the bonds would be sold within the next two months.

The council members went into executive session for about eight minutes to discuss a pend-

ing law suit at the request of the city attorney. Grimes announced at the end of that closed session that no official action needed to be taken on the matter discussed with the lawyer.

Monthly bills totaling \$12,964.46 were approved for payment. They included: \$1,107.45 for chemicals; \$468.37 for asphalt mix; \$3,610.63 for vehicle and equipment repair and \$1,513.37 spent on the Cordelia Street street repair project.

City Clerk Denny Morrow reminded council members of the advertised vehicle sale, set for this Saturday.

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teacher needs, but you can see based on the figures what it would cost the system," Walker said.

Other topics Shirley brought to the attention of board members included New Brockton Elementary having its own lunchroom, the need for more buses so students would not have to be on a bus for too long at a time, textbooks and field trips.

As for field trips, Ingram said between now and Oct. 1, groups and organizations have to pay for field trips with their own money. However, she said she is going to re-look at that when the FY2002 budget takes effect on Oct. 1, 2001.

"We (parents) just want you (school board) to know that if there is something we can do, we would like to help," Shirley said.

Board member Rubin McKinnon responded by saying, "As long as Alabama's taxes are as low as they are, we are going to struggle. If we want better schools, we are going to have to

pay for it."

The FFA chapters at Zion Chapel and Kinston requested out-of-state travel from the board to attend an annual agriculture expo in Moultrie, Ga.

John McCrory, FFA sponsor at Zion Chapel High School, addressed the board concerning the trip. He was accompanied by officers of the Zion Chapel chapter.

"This is the largest ag expo in the world with field demonstrations," McCrory said. "It's a big opportunity for us to be able to see the technology we have."

McCrory said he anticipates carrying about 33 students from Zion Chapel to the expo.

Superintendent Ingram told board members that she knew Zion Chapel and Kinston were planning to attend but had not heard whether or not the New Brockton FFA was planning to attend.

A motion was made to allow any FFA or FFA club within the county system that wants to attend the ag expo in Moultrie to go.

After receiving a second, the motion passed with a 6-0 vote. Board member Scotty Hunko

was not present for the meeting. Other action taken by the board included:

\*Upon the recommendation of the superintendent, approved the Parent/Student Information Guide which includes the Code of Conduct.

\*Awarded the gas bid to Acme Propane of Andalusia. Acme submitted the low bid. Board member Jimmy Clark asked if any local companies submitted a bid, and the superintendent said the local companies indicated that they did not wish to bid on this item.

\*Approved the revised school schedule presented by the superintendent. The school schedule was revised due to a bad weather day taken at the beginning of the school year. The revised schedule will have teachers return to school from the Christmas holiday on Jan. 2 for a teacher in-service day and students returning on Jan. 3.

\*Adopted the revised board policies GAGA and GAHA which deal with the Child Internet Protection Act. These changes were presented to the board at an earlier meeting.



CEC Employee Patty Singleton (left) joined CEC members Mark and Donna Ward of Ino, Ala., at the Alabama Council of Cooperatives annual conference in Orange Beach, Ala.

## Wards represent CEC

The 26th Annual Co-op Couples Conference was held recently in Orange Beach, Ala. The conference is organized by the Alabama Council of Cooperatives. Covington Electric Cooperative members Mark and Donna Ward of Ino, Ala., represented CEC at this year's conference. They joined

approximately 30 other couples from across the state for the three-day event. The conference provides an opportunity for young couples in the agriculture industry to gain more insight as to how cooperatives can assist them with their businesses.

The Wards maintain five poultry houses and have been in the poultry business for 12 years. They also farm peanuts, cotton, and raise cattle. They have two children and Mark is the minister at Friendship Baptist Church in Crenshaw County.

Cooperatives have been helping farmers since the late 1930s. This conference is important because it teaches young farmers how beneficial the local co-ops are to their industry.



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# COMMUNITY NEWS



THE NEW BROCKTON HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1956 held their class reunion on August 25, 2001 at the New Brockton Senior Citizens Building. Twenty-five of the thirty-five graduating members attended. Members seated from left are: Sherry Thompson Farris, Charlotte Baker Weeks, Margaret Lott Howell, Ralphine Martin George, Peggy Sue Locklar Barnett, Louise Sanders Johnston, Bobbie Jean Hornsby Szehlich, Elise Snellgrove Hilton. Standing middle row, are Betty Sue Williams Miller, Barbara Pinckard McCrummen, Peggy Carroll Stroud, Grace Thomas Moore, Glenda Faye White Weed, Jan Spinks Burkett, Lou Ellen Jackson Meredith, Eloise Peacock Winfield, Rodney Baggett, Jerry Goodson. Standing back row, are Tommy Jones, Tony Bowers, Tim Tindol, Draward Hornsby, John Andrew Morrow and Curtis Miller. Attending but not pictured, James Parker. The class only has one deceased member, Fran Snellgrove Parker.



DR. LAWSON BRYAN, right, and his wife, Sherill, standing next to him, were joined by a hundred business leaders, healthcare providers and Alzheimer's Resource Center members and volunteers for the kick-off of the 2001 Alzheimer's Walk to Remember. Bryan is chairman of the walk, which will take place Oct. 6 at Westgate Park in Dothan. Pictured with the Bryans are, from left, Earl Kelley, president of the board of directors for the Alzheimer's Resource Center; Lee Edwards, director of the Elba Adult Day Care; and Kay Jones, Executive director of the Alzheimer's Resource Center. The kickoff luncheon was held at Southeast Alabama Medical Center in Dothan. For more information on ways to participate in the walk, call the Alzheimer's Resource Center at 334-702-CARE or 1-888-702-8689.

## Selective Service Registration Awareness Month is September

The State of Alabama will observe Selective Service Registration Awareness Month in September, 2001. Governor Don Siegelman signed a proclamation in 2000 to this effect and in 2001. Selective Service System board members, school personnel, legislators, Members of Congress, State Board members, parents and others will encourage young men in Alabama to comply with the federal and state law.

The compliance rate in Alabama among young men between the ages of 18-20 rose to 88% in 2001. Even though the increase is noteworthy, we still have a small percent of

those who are required to register but not in compliance with the federal and state law. The reason given for not registering is lack of knowledge that there is a requirement.

Educators, parents, legislators, grandparents, local board of education members, members of civic and professional organizations are asked to assist young men to register and be in compliance with state and federal law. Failure to register is a violation of federal and state law and can result in serious penalties, should the Justice Department implement prosecution. Many benefits are conditional upon meeting the registration requirement.

Dr. Richardson, State Superintendent of Education, in an August 7, 2001 memorandum to County and City Superintendents, reminded them of Selective Service System requirement for young men to register and called upon superintendents, principals, counselors, registrars, and parents to remind and assist young men in fulfilling their obligation to register. A young man can register via the Internet at [www.sss.gov](http://www.sss.gov), or obtain a card from the school principal, registrar, or post office and complete and mail to Selective Service System.

11th Annual Wiregrass Model Railroad Show and Sale scheduled for September 29th

The 11th Annual Wiregrass Model Railroad Show and Sale will be Saturday, Sept. 29 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the National

Peanut Festival Fairgrounds on U.S. 231 South in Dothan. The Fairgrounds are three miles south of Ross Clark Circle.

Valiece Moore pledges Chi Omega Sorority

Valiece Moore of Elba has pledged Chi Omega Sorority at Troy State University, according to the TSU Panhellenic Council. Moore, a 2001 graduate of Elba High School, is the daughter of Rachel and Valerie Moore.

NEWS FROM OUR SERVICE FOLKS

BRIAN A. FRANZA

Brian A. Franza, son of Laura Y. Thomas of Kinston, Ala. and Joe M. Franza of 1548 N. Bervyn Ave., Avon Park, Fla., recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, in Parris Island, S.C.

## Elba City School System is trying to locate and identify all disabled persons ages 3-21

The Elba City School System is in the process of identifying all persons with disabilities, ages 3-21 years who are not enrolled in an educational setting. If you are a parent of a child with disabilities or know of someone who is disabled,

please contact the Special Education Coordinator's office at the Elba City Board of Education at 897-2801. It is important that all persons with disabilities be identified so appropriate services can be provided.

## Farm Service Agency is looking for candidates for farmer elected County Committee election

The Farm Service Agency (FSA) is looking for candidates for the farmer-elected County Committee election to be held this fall.

It is crucial that every eligible agricultural producer take part in this election because county committees are a direct link between the farm community and the U.S. Department of Agriculture," says David W. Eaddy, Coffee County Executive Director. "The County Committee system needs everyone to get involved — from voters to committee candidates. Almost anyone eligible to take part in a local FSA program may be a candidate for the committee."

Nomination forms can currently be obtained from FSA county offices. Completed nomination forms are due back to the FSA office by October 29. FSA will notify nominees and mail election ballots to eligible voters, in mid-November. Completed

ballots must be returned to FSA offices — and postmarked by December 3. Elected members and alternates will take office January 1, 2002.

FSA County Committees make decisions on commodity price support loans and payments; establishment of allotments; yields and marketing quotas; farmer loans; conservation programs; and incentive, indemnity, and disaster payments for some commodities.

"The County Committee is an important part of the service delivery of the USDA. We'd like to include more farmers in non-traditional operations and people whose livelihoods depend on farming," said Eaddy.

"We're also looking for some small farmers, truck farmers, and spouses or business partners — anyone who would be able to add some new or different experiences to their local County Committee."

Designed for contractors whose employees lay brick or block, do abrasive blasting, mix concrete or mortar, are exposed to road dust, chip, hammer, or drill rock or concrete, dry sweep or blow down dusty areas; haul, dump, or load rock, sand, dirt or rip rap, the seminar will discuss liabilities, easy prevention methods, and employees' rights to access their medical and exposure records.

There is no charge to attend, but reservations are required. Please call (334)832-4001 for more information or to register.

Computers For Seniors Level 1 to be offered at ESJC

Computers for Seniors Level 1 is a special interest class to be held at Enterprise State Junior College in a second session this fall semester. It is designed for older adults who want to be computer literate. Students will be introduced to the computer keyboard, taught basic computer terminology, and have hands-on experience with a word processing software package. They should bring a 3 1/2" disk to the first class. There is a \$40.00 fee for this course, and the registration deadline is October 8. Classes will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays, October 15-24, 2:00-4:00 p.m. For more information, call 334-393-ESJC, ext. 234.

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